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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant : Jörg Schepers  
Applic. No. : 10/017,639  
Filed : November 21, 2001  
Title : Method for Preventing Illegitimate Use of Chip Cards  
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P E T I T I O N U N D E R 37 C.F.R. 1.10(c)

Hon. Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks,  
Washington, D. C. 20231

Sir:

The facts leading to this petition are as follows:

The above-identified application was filed by the "Express Mail Post Office to Addressee" service of the US PS by virtue of deposit on November 21, 2001. Therefore, the filing date accorded to this application by the Office should be November 21, 2001. However, the postcard which accompanied the application was returned by the PTO with an incorrect filing date of December 18, 2001.

Enclosed herewith, in accordance with Rule 1.10 (c), is:

- a copy of the cover sheet accompanying the application papers with a mailing certificate under 37 C.F.R. 1.10 properly executed on November 21, 2001;
- a copy of an Internet Print-out of the US PS confirming the date of deposit of the above-mentioned application on November 21, 2001;
- a copy of the postcard;
- a declaration by the mail clerk.

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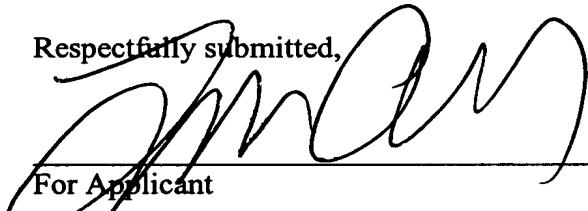
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In view of the foregoing, applicants request that the filing date be corrected to show November 21, 2001.

I hereby declare that the foregoing facts have been stated on a personal knowledge basis and that the above-noted paper was submitted timely in accordance with the rules and regulations. I further declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issued thereon.

Respectfully submitted,

  
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